

December  
2014

# KIDS KRAZE

Programs and activities  
offered by



CITY OF BLOOMINGTON  
parks and recreation



For more information, contact the Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department at 812-349-3700 or visit us at [bloomington.in.gov/parks](http://bloomington.in.gov/parks). Register at [bloomington.in.gov/parks](http://bloomington.in.gov/parks) or stop by the office at City Hall, 401 N. Morton St., Suite 250.

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Inclusive approach to recreation: All City of Bloomington Parks and Recreation programs are inclusive to people with and without disabilities. Please contact our Inclusive Recreation Coordinator for more details: Amy Shrake, CTRS, 812-349-3747 or [shrakea@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:shrakea@bloomington.in.gov).

## Break Days

Summer fun ...  
when school's out!

■ = Break Day!

Stay active during school breaks with Break Days presented by Bloomington Parks and Recreation and MCCSC.

Spend your break days hanging out with your friends, exploring the city and IU campus on field trips, staying physically active playing sports and games, and getting in touch with nature!

Break Days are inclusive, serving camp-ready children with and without disabilities. Scholarships for Break Days are available through the Bloomington Parks Foundation. The deadline to apply for Break Days scholarships is one week prior to the registration deadline. For more information about scholarships, call 349-3700 or e-mail [parks@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:parks@bloomington.in.gov).

**Binford Elementary School,**  
2300 E. Second St.  
7:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.

Break Days are for students in grades K-6.

Registration fee is \$35/student/day, and includes all snacks, field trips, etc. for the entire day. Lunch is not provided.

Online registration is not available for Break Days. To register, visit [bloomington.in.gov/kidcity](http://bloomington.in.gov/kidcity) to download the registration and health forms. Register in person at the Bloomington Parks and Recreation office.

For more information, contact Amy Shrake at 812-349-3747 or e-mail [shrakea@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:shrakea@bloomington.in.gov).



Dec. 2014/Jan. 2015						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	1	2	3

Register by 12/15.



Twin Lakes Recreation Center,  
1700 W. Bloomfield Rd.

Contact league coordinators  
Jeigh Hockersmith at 812-349-3774 or Mark Sterner at 812-349-3768 with questions about the league or season.

### Season III

The Bloomington Youth Basketball League focuses on basketball fundamentals and the application of learned skills during game participation for players in grades K–6. All leagues are coed through grade 3; girls play in a girls-only league beginning in grade 4. Season includes weekly practices, and games one night a week. The season concludes with a single-elimination tournament. Teams practice two nights a week for the first two weeks of the season, then one night a week for the remainder of the season. Practice times and days are determined by the coach. Spaces are limited to a maximum number of players per age group. Once the maximum number of players is reached for each league, registration for that league will close. If your child's league fills, you may opt to place your child's name on a wait list. We will contact you if space becomes available.

Practices begin the week of January 19.

Games begin the week of February 2.

No games or practices March 14–22.

\$85 • Registration deadline is Friday, January 9.

Registrations will not be accepted after the deadline.

Grade K	Wednesdays • 15001-A
Grade 1	Mondays • 15001-B
Grade 2	Tuesdays • 15001-C
Grade 3	Wednesdays • 15001-D
Grade 4 Boys	Tuesdays • 15001-E
Grade 5 Boys	Tuesdays • 15001-F
Grade 6 Boys	Mondays • 15001-G
Grades 4–6 Girls	Thursdays • 15001-H

#### Required Evaluation Day

Grade	Date	Time
Grade K	1/12	5:30 p.m.
Grade 1	1/12	6:15 p.m.
Grade 2	1/12	7 p.m.
Grade 3	1/13	5:30 p.m.
Grade 4 Boys	1/13	6:15 p.m.
Grade 5 Boys	1/13	7 p.m.
Grade 6 Boys	1/13	7:30 p.m.
Grades 4–6 Girls	1/14	5:30 p.m.
Make-up session	1/14	6 p.m.

### VOLUNTEER COACHES NEEDED!

If interested in coaching, contact Kim Ecenbarger at 812-349-3739 or [ecenbark@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:ecenbark@bloomington.in.gov).

#### MANDATORY COACHES MEETING:

Wednesday, January 14 at 7 p.m. or Thursday, January 15 at 5:30 p.m. at the Twin Lakes Recreation Center. Volunteer coaches deadline January 8.

All selected coaches must complete an annual online coaching certification course from the National Youth Sports Coaches Association (NYSCA). The certification fee for each coach is \$20. The online training is available at [nays.org](http://nays.org). Scholarships are available to offset expenses associated with the online training. For scholarship information, contact Jeigh Hockersmith at 812-349-3774 or [hockersj@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:hockersj@bloomington.in.gov).



1700 W. Bloomfield Rd.

Call 812-349-3720 or  
drop in for a personal tour.  
\*for a 12-month membership

### Family Memberships as low as \$52.50/month!\*

- Five hardwood courts
- Turf field
- Group fitness classes
- 1/5-mile indoor track
- Complete fitness center

Register online at [bloomington.in.gov/parks](http://bloomington.in.gov/parks).

Experience

The Great Outdoors



Children under age 12 yrs. must be accompanied by a registered adult.

Winter Backyard Birding

Winter can be a great time for backyard bird watching. Learn about the easy ways to attract birds to your yard and how to identify avian visitors. Backyard bird observations can be submitted to the Great Backyard Bird Count, a global effort to document bird distribution and abundance. Participants will have the opportunity to create and take home simple feeders made from recyclables. Instructor: Anna Rossler

Sa 2/7 • 11 a.m.–noon • Register by 1/30 • 14006-A

\$7/in-city, \$8/non-city • For all ages.

Lower Cascades Park, 2851 N. Old State Rd. 37

Registration opens 12/6.

Birthday Parties



Twin Lakes Recreation Center


Rental includes tables, chairs, and use of the party room. For more information on booking a party, call 812-349-3720.

\$40/hour for use of the party room only

\$60/hour includes use of one basketball court

\$75/hour includes use of Studio A or B

\$90/hour includes use of the turf



Tae Kwon Do

Build self-confidence, develop self-discipline and learn how to defend yourself. Tae kwon do teaches all of these things and more. Instructor: Steve Scott, Monroe County Martial Arts

Tuesdays and Thursdays

\$50/in-city, \$55/non-city • For ages 6–15 yrs.

Banneker Community Center

Class does not meet 3/17 or 3/19.

Registration opens 12/6.

Beginning Youth

6–6:45 p.m. White belts only.

1/13–2/26 • Register by 1/8 • 17501-A

3/3–4/23 • Register by 2/26 • 17501-B

Intermediate Youth

6:45–7:30 p.m. Yellow belt and above.

1/13–2/26 • Register by 1/8 • 17502-A

3/3–4/23 • Register by 2/26 • 17502-B

Leisure Companion Program

The Leisure Companion Program is a service in which participants with disabilities are partnered with a volunteer companion who provides additional support during participation in inclusive activities. **Leisure Companions are also needed to assist participants in Inclusive Recreation programs.** For more information contact Kim Ecenbarger at [ecenbark@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:ecenbark@bloomington.in.gov) or 812-349-3739.



FRANK SOUTHERN ICE ARENA, 2100 S. HENDERSON ST.

Ice Information Hotline: 812-349-3741

Public skating sessions

Rink season runs through March 7.

Monday–Friday: Noon–2:30 p.m.

Friday: 7–9 p.m.

Saturday: 1–2:30 p.m.

7–9 p.m. (Lunar Skating)

9:15–11 p.m. (Night Owl)

Sunday: 3–5 p.m.

General Admission: \$6


Skate Rental: \$3

New Skate Sharpening: \$10

Skate Sharpening: \$5 and \$6 (immediate service)

Economy Pass: \$54 (10 sessions, excludes skate rental)

All sessions subject to change or cancellation.



SKATE WITH SANTA

Saturday, December 13

1–2:30 p.m. • For all ages.

\$6 per person • \$3 skate rental

Celebrate the holidays on the ice with Santa and his friends.

Photo ops are available along with free cookies and punch. Come dressed in your best holiday-themed costume!



Lunar Public Skating


Skate in a specially lit, lunar-like arena while listening to the best hits of the '80s, '90s and today courtesy of the Arena's super-watt sound system. Groups of all sizes and skaters of all ability levels are welcome!

Saturdays, October 10–March 7

7–9 p.m. • For all ages.

\$6 admission, \$3 skate rental

Lunar Skating involves the use of strobe and other special effect lighting.



Hockey Initiation

Frank Southern Ice Arena, 2100 S. Henderson St.

Sundays, January 11–February 15

1:45–2:45 p.m.

For ages 5–14 yrs.

A safe and positive experience for beginning hockey players! The primary focus of instruction is on skating, puck handling, passing, and shooting.

Equipment required: a bicycle helmet, any type of gloves, and a hockey stick.

\$40/in-city, \$45/non-city • Registration opens 12/6.

Register by 1/9 • 12501-A



THE SKATING SCHOOL

at Frank Southern Ice Arena

City of Bloomington Parks and Recreation

Frank Southern Ice Arena presents a new ice skating lesson curriculum that helps skaters progress confidently through skating skills!

812-349-3740 • [bloomington.in.gov/skatingschool](http://bloomington.in.gov/skatingschool)

The Skating School Session II

Eight, 30-minute classes & eight 30-minute practice times

Thurs., Jan. 8–Feb. 26

Fri., Jan. 9–Feb. 27

Sat., Jan. 10–Feb. 28

\$75/in-city, \$85/non-city

Registration opens 12/6.

Register for Session II by 1/8.

